tion services to endeavour to secure adoption of methods which would enable presentation of figures more in line with actual conditions.

The marking of historic sites and objects, geographical and other features, was discussed, and it was recommended that the Bureau institute a policy to give effect to this development on basis of a continuing plan. Other matters discussed included stimulation by local organizations of celebrations and events; development of local handicrafts; use of local products and souvenirs; maintenance of standards of accommodations and catering; liquor laws; and highway improvements.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Council the Bureau made plans to give effect to them, and its programme prepared for 1939 was arranged to incorporate efforts to arouse local initiative in various sections of the Province to form local bureaus; to develop a "See British Columbia First" campaign; to make efforts to secure improvements in the assembly of statistical data dealing with tourist traffic; and, following research, to develop a plan for marking historic sites and preserving historic objects with relation to development of tourist travel.

IMPROVEMENT OF ATTRACTIONS.

The Forest Branch, continuing activities begun in 1936 when a Forest Training crew improved Elk Falls Park on Vancouver Island, further extended the improvement of attractions. The administration of parks has been placed under the Forest Service and, largely with use of relief crews, many improvements have been effected. Some thirty-five parks, varying in area from Tweedsmuir Park covering 3½ million acres to many small scenic points of less than an acre in extent, have been gazetted, and fifteen others reserved against alienation, though not gazetted. Many beauty-spots have been made accessible by road-construction and trail improvements; conveniences for campers and other works have been constructed. The Game Commission has co-operated to stock lakes and fishing-grounds; and in some places steps have been taken to induce establishment of fishing camps and lodges.

On Vancouver Island development has been made at some picturesque waterfalls—Elk, Medicine Bowls, Englishman River, Skutz, Little Qualicum, and Stamp. John Dean Park near Sidney has been made accessible and improved. Work has been done at Peace Arch Park, near Blaine; King George VI. Park, near Rossland; Kokanee Park, Tweedsmuir Park, and at Silvertip Falls on Big Bend Highway. In co-operation with municipal and public bodies work has been undertaken at Cultus, Harrison, Glintz, and Thetis Lakes; Copeland and Mount Douglas Parks. To cater both to summer visitors and winter sports, consideration has been given to ski-ing facilities on Hollyburn Ridge, Grouse Mountain, Mount Seymour in Garibaldi Park, and on the Forbidden Plateau on Vancouver Island.

Ski-ing Facilities.

A survey was made during the spring months for the Bureau of ski-ing facilities on Hollyburn Ridge, Grouse Mountain, and Mount Seymour; also investigation of other ski-ing areas, respecting proposals for creation of a mountain park and development of ski-ing resources. This recreation—a winter sport in most regions—is also a spring pastime in Coast and Vancouver Island areas and has developed much in recent years. Though development has taken place in some regions, British Columbia's ski-ing grounds cannot yet compete successfully with the Banff, Washington, Oregon, and Idaho grounds; but there is opportunity for development of a park area on the mountains sloping to Burrard Inlet especially capable of surpassing any of these areas, notably from the standpoints of accessibility, extensive and varied ski terrain, natural beauty, magnificent aspects, mild climate, and long season. Transportation facilities and accommodation, however, will be requisite to class this area as a tourist attraction capable of successful competition. This region has advantages enabling it to become a potential ski-ing ground comparable with any on the continent. It has heavy snowfall on the upper levels at times when golfers play on open courses in the region below, long season, and alluring surroundings.

Ski-ing, which must be treated as a special phase of tourist-traffic attraction as it is a recreation sought at other seasons than those when travel is mainly attracted, is developing much. Revelstoke, formerly a centre for ski-jumping on the continent, has a jump, downhill and slalom courses where championship meets are satisfactorily held. Kamloops and Princeton have good grounds. The mining towns—Kimberley, Trail, Rossland, Wells, Bralorne,